

Government Orders

Mr. Lorne Nystrom (Yorkton—Melville) moved:

Motion No. 21

That Bill C-62 be amended in clause 12 by striking out lines 40 and 41 at page 131 and lines 1 to 45 at page 132.

Mr. Speaker: The hon. member for Calgary West on a point of order.

Mr. Hawkes: Mr. Speaker, we have a long evening ahead of us and I am afraid your voice may not last with all of this reading. Voters may not know that every member in this Chamber has all of these motions, in both languages, sitting on their desks and they can read them for themselves.

I am wondering, because the House of Commons costs about \$250,000 an hour to run, whether or not they would like to save the taxpayers of the country about \$250,000 and simply let you read the motions and let us vote on the motions without going through the kind of detail that does not add much to the understanding.

Mr. Riis: Mr. Speaker, it is an interesting proposal of my hon. friend, but if he had the real concern of the taxpayers of Canada at heart he would withdraw the legislation and we could close this down right now.

• (1910)

Mr. Speaker: I must say to the hon. member for Calgary West that the hon. member for Ottawa—Vanier has invoked the order and, unless there is consent to dispense, I am bound to follow it.

Mr. Hawkes: On a point of order, I want to assure you that from the government members you have that consent.

Mr. Speaker: I want to assure the hon. member for Calgary West that I was quite sure of that. The hon. member for Ottawa—Vanier.

Mr. Gauthier: Mr. Speaker, we could go on with this debate but I think we started at 6.45 tonight and if we proceed as we are doing, pretty well, we might get through this evening early. But if the Whip and government members start rising on this kind of superfluous points of debate, then we may get into it.

The fact is they were thoroughly confused. As a matter of fact, they voted for our amendments at the beginning. They said "yes", Mr. Speaker, to a whole series of our amendments and I think they should get their act together.

Mr. Speaker: I think both sides and the Speaker probably have got our act together now. What was put forward by the hon. member for Calgary West was a suggestion. It is not the first time suggestions have been put forward during votes in order to hurry them along but without consent your Speaker is bound by the rule which has been quite properly invoked.

[Translation]

Mr. Lorne Nystrom (Yorkton—Melville) moved:

Motion No. 22

That Bill C-62 be amended in Clause 12 by striking out lines 27 to 43 at page 134, lines 1 to 46 at page 135 and lines 1 to 7 at page 136.

Mr. Speaker: Is it the pleasure of the House to adopt the said motion?

Some Hon. Members: Agreed.

Some Hon. Members: No.

Mr. Speaker: All those in favour will please say yea.

Some Hon. Members: Yea.

Mr. Speaker: All those opposed will please say nay.

Some Hon. Members: Nay.

Mr. Speaker: In my opinion the nays have it.

And more than five members having risen:

Mr. Speaker: Pursuant to standing Order 76(8), the recorded division on the motion stands deferred.

Mr. Bob Horner (Mississauga West) moved:

Motion No. 23

That Bill C-62 be amended in Clause 12

(a) by striking out line 8 at page 139 and substituting the following therefor:

"Division VI,"

(b) in the French version by striking out lines 33 to 35 at page 139 and substituting the following therefor:

"VI, le ministre est réputé, pour l'application de cette section, lui avoir versé à ce moment un"

Mr. Speaker: Is it the pleasure of the House to adopt the said motion?

Some Hon. Members: Agreed.

Some Hon. Members: No.

Mr. Speaker: All those in favour will please say yea.

Some Hon. Members: Yea.

Mr. Speaker: All those opposed will please say nay.